

JUNE 2017 AWARDS MONTHLY

1. Certificate of Commendation: **Officer Travis P. Irion #2478**

Officer Irion was dispatched to a burglary in progress call involving two individuals. There was no loss and the only physical evidence was a video. With the video Officer Irion was able to identify one burglar, direct officers to obtain key evidence, identify the second suspect, obtain two confessions and secure burglary charges on the suspects.

2. Certificate of Commendation: **Officer Timothy A. Newell #2462**

Officer Newell identified a suspect by viewing a video capture and remembering seeing the individual on a previous occasion wearing the same shirt. The suspect was arrested and subsequently charged in District Court.

3. Certificate of Commendation: **Lieutenant Paul J. Shields #1233, Officer James C. Wannow #2022**

Lieutenant Shields and Officer Wannow were able to observe and track robbery suspects while piloting the police helicopter, resulting in apprehensions and charges of Aggravated Robbery, Criminal Possession of a Firearm, Driving on a Suspended Drivers License, along with felony and misdemeanor warrants.

4. Certificate of Commendation: **Lieutenant Kevin L. Kochenderfer #1622, Sergeant Brian P. Goward #2147, Sergeant Robert E. Henning #2182, Detective Keith M. Cox #2165, Detective Robert A. Maben #1635, Detective Tim J. Reynolds #2156, Detective Clayton J. Schuler #1972, Officer Seth M. Doshier #2195, Officer Lee T. Froese #2361, Officer Russell P. Huff #1680, Officer David T. Howard #2356, Officer Carl W. Lemons #2105, Officer Eric A. Piotrowski #1545, Officer Benjamin K. Reid #1937, Officer Jamie P. Schepis #2227, Officer Robert A. Thatcher #2070, Officer Jeffery M. Walters #2092**

The Wichita Police Department Special Weapons and Tactics Unit trained the department members from 4/4/17 through 5/12/17 on officer safety.

5. Civic Achievement Award: **Officer Nicholas D. Long #2185**

Outstanding Citizen Assistance: **Jacob B. Villa**

Officer Long with the assistance of citizen Jacob Villa opened Villa boxing to bring an organized sport to the Planeview area as a way to reach youth in a positive and constructive manner year round.

6. Distinguished Service Award: **Officer Javier E. Guete #2035**

Officer Guete assisted with several projects to inform the community of changes and activities occurring in the Wichita Police Department.

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7. Life Saving Award: **Officer Steven M. McKenna #2405**

While off duty Officer McKenna was instrumental in alerting 911 and the Wichita Fire Department of a large fire at the La River Condominiums. He alerted residents that the complex was on fire and based in large part on his quick actions there were no injuries and no one was harmed.

8. Life Saving Award: **Officer Naomi S. Arnold #2119**

While interviewing a witness on a disturbance Officer Arnold observed a 6 year old boy choking on a piece of candy. She performed the Heimlich maneuver and dislodged the piece of candy allowing the boy to breathe again.

9. Bronze Wreath of Merit: **Officer Jonathon A. Elledge #2255, Officer Brandon W. Faulkner #2403, Officer Vincent M. Reel #2351**

With the assistance of a video from a business that was robbed Officers Elledge, Faulkner and Reel were able to locate the suspect who was subsequently charged as a parole absconder and for the robbery.